Marquette Interchange project

The project is in its second year of construction. Although the entire project will continue through 2008, construction from Wells St. to North Ave. will be completed by the end of 2006. That would include the former Hillside Interchange on I-43 near the northern edge of downtown.

2006 Ramp closures on I-43 include:

- I-43 ramps from both the north and the south to eastbound I-794 (Opens '08)
- Westbound I-794 ramps to northbound and southbound I-43 (Opens '08)
- McKinley Ave. entrance ramp to northbound I-43 (Mar-Oct '06)
- Northbound I-43 exit ramp to Fond du Lac/McKinley Ave. (Open Oct '06)
- Northbound I-43/94 ramp to westbound I-94 (Oct '06-Nov '08)

2006 Ramp closures on I-94/794 include:

- Eastbound I-94 ramp to southbound I-94/43 (Mar-Oct '06)
- Southbound HWY 41 ramp to eastbound I-94 (Mar-Oct '06) (Opens in '08)

Along with the long term ramp and lane closures, a number of overnight lane and freeway closures will be required. Some system ramps may close at night.



Hotline: Milw. Area 262-548-5684 Outside Milw. 888-468-0037 www.mchange.org

Change your approach, not your destination, with MCHANGE.ORG

By using the interactive tools on the project's Website at www.mchange.org, you'll be able to continue to travel to and through downtown Milwaukee during the project. The site provides real time traffic information, alternate routes mapped to your specific destinations, the latest ramp and lane closures and links to alternate modes of transportation. Travelers can also get the latest lane and ramp closure information through the Marquette Interchange Project hotline at: 262-548-5684 (Milwaukee area) or 888-468-0037 (outside Milwaukee).

Be safe and work zone friendly: know the signs

Signs will give you plenty of warning. Failure to slow down and read the signs can be life threatening—for the construction workers and for you.

Right lane ends. This is the key sign. Don't provoke other drivers and risk your own safety by ignoring it and trying to force your way into the line at the very last second.



Flagger ahead. Be prepared to stop. When you see this sign, slow down and stay in line. A real person will soon be standing in front of you. Take your responsibility seriously.

Two-way traffic. This is an alert sign. You are no longer on the divided highway. You need to adjust to having only one travel lane and to having cars coming at you in the lane next to you.



Road work begins in 1500 feet. This is meant to be a clear warning to slow down. Be alert. Traveling at 60 mph, you will be in a work zone just 17 seconds after seeing this sign.



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For easier and safer travel, nothing beats planning in advance. And when you enter a work zone, it's important to obey the signs—merge, slow down and be careful. These are bottom-line necessities for safe and easy travel on any road.

Here are a few strategies to help you get through construction zones safely and with minimal stress.

- Avoid peak travel hours between noon 8 p.m. Fridays and Sundays. Expect delays.
- Nnow where the work zones are located and allow extra time to get through them.
- Watch for special instructions and advisories on electronic message boards as you approach a major work zone.
- Slow down and merge early and cautiously.
- Stay alert. Be prepared for surprise slow-downs and speed-ups.
- Leave braking room between you and the car in front of you, approximately one car length for every 10 mph.
- Take an alternate route.
- Stay calm and cool. Work zones aren't meant to personally inconvenience you. Everyone's safety is dependent on your cooperation.

Remember, in Wisconsin:

- 1. Buckle up for safety. It's the law!
- If you are arrested for drunk driving, your license will be taken on the spot.
- Fines are double in work zones.
- 4. If you see law enforcement, towing or road maintenance vehicles on the side of the road with their emergency lights on, change lanes or slow down.
- Stay back at least 200 feet when following maintenance vehicles.

